

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1-4, 6 and 11-14, as shown below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the
Application:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A ticketless system including a network system wherein a ticket issuing center, a payment center, and an entrance gate are connected by a network, said ticketless system comprising:

a first notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying [[said]] a first user terminal of a plurality of first data from said ticket issuing center, in response to a request from [[a]] said first user terminal connectable to said network, said plurality of first data including site data representing a site, time-of-day data representing an admission time to said site, and price data for admittance to said site;

a second notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying said ticket issuing center of second data selected among said plurality of first data, third data for identifying said first user terminal, and fourth data representing an account for payment by an owner of said first user terminal, from said first user terminal;

a third notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying said payment center of said price data included in said second data sent to said ticket issuing center by said second notification [[means]] mechanism and said fourth data;

a payment [[means]] mechanism, in said payment center, for making a payment using said price data and said fourth data notified by said third notification [[means]] mechanism;

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a fourth notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying said ticket issuing center of fifth data for identifying [[said]] a second user terminal from said second user terminal connectable to said network at the site represented with said site data included in said second data on an admission time to said site represented with said time-of-day data included in said second data, after payment by said payment [[means]] mechanism; and

a permission [[means]] mechanism for permitting the owner of said second user terminal to pass through an entrance gate installed at said site represented with said site data included in said second data when said fifth data coincides with said third data, without a ticket.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 1, wherein said fourth data comprises the number of a credit card; and wherein said payment [[means]] mechanism draws an amount of money represented with said price data included in said second data from an account shown with said credit card number.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 1, wherein when said fifth data coincides with said third data and a time-of-day at which said fifth data has sent to said ticket issuing center is a time-of-day represented with said time-of-day data, said permission [[means]] mechanism permits the owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate without a ticket.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 1, further comprising a plurality of entrance gates and setting [[means]] mechanisms for setting a different gate telephone number for each of said plurality of gates; and

wherein said fourth notification [[means]] mechanism issues a call to said gate telephone number corresponding to an entrance gate desired by said owner of said second user terminal

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after a payment of said payment [[means]] mechanism at said site represented with said site data included in said second data, using said second user terminal, a call signal included in said call including fifth data for identifying said second user terminal;

wherein said permission [[means]] mechanism, when said fifth data coincidences with said third data, permits said owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate without a ticket.

Claim 5 (original): The ticketless system defined in Claim 1, wherein

said third data comprises a telephone number of said first user terminal; and

said fifth data comprises a telephone number of said second user terminal.

Claim 6 (currently amended): A ticketless admission method in a network system wherein a ticket issuing center, a payment center, and an entrance gate are connected by a network, said ticketless admission method comprising the steps of:

(a) notifying said first user terminal of a plurality of first data from said ticket issuing center, in response to a request from a first user terminal connectable to said network, said plurality of first data including site data representing a site, time-of-day data representing an admission time to said site, and price data for admittance to said site;

(b) notifying said ticket issuing center of second data selected among said plurality of first data, third data for identifying said first user terminal, and fourth data representing an account for payment of said owner of said first user terminal, from said first user terminal;

(c) notifying said payment center of said price data included in said second data sent in said step (b) and of said fourth data;

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(d) making a payment with said fourth data and said price data included in said second data notified in said step (c);

(e) installing said entrance gate in said site represented with said site data included in said second data;

(f) notifying said ticket issuing center of fifth data for identifying said second user terminal from said second user terminal connectable to said network at the site represented with said site data included in said second data on an admission time to said site represented with said time-of-day data included in said second data, after execution of said step (d); and

(g) permitting said owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate installed in said step (e) when said fifth data coincides with said third data, without a ticket.

Claim 7 (original): A ticketless admission system defined in claim 6, wherein said third data comprises a credit card number and wherein said step (d) comprises drawing an amount of money shown with said price data notified in said step (c) from an account represented with said credit card number notified in said step (c).

Claim 8 (original): The ticket admission method defined in Claim 6, wherein said step (g) comprises permitting said owner of said second user terminal to enter said site when said fifth data coincides with said third data and the date at which said step (f) has been executed is included in a time-of-day represented with said time-of-day data.

Claim 9 (original): The ticketless admission method defined in Claim 6, wherein

said step (e) further comprises the steps of (h) installing a plurality of entrance gates in said site represented with said site data included in said second data and (i) setting telephone number data representing a different telephone number to each of said entrance gates;

said step (f) further comprises issuing a call to said gate telephone number set to a desired entrance gate through which the owner of said second user terminal connectable to said network passes, at said site represented with said site data included in said second data, using said second user terminal after execution of said step (d), a call signal included in said call including fifth data to identify said user terminal;

said step (g) further comprises permitting said owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate when said fifth data coincides with said fourth data.

Claim 10 (original): The ticketless admission method defined in Claim 6, wherein

said third data comprises a telephone number of said first user terminal; and

said fifth data comprises a telephone number of said second user terminal.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A ticketless system comprising a ticket issuing center, a payment center, and an entrance gate, interconnected by a network,

said ticket issuing center including:

a first notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying a user terminal of a plurality of first data in response to a request from said user terminal connectable to said network, each of said plurality of first data including site data representing a site, time-of-day data representing a time-of-day for admittance to said site, and price data representing a price necessary for admittance to said site;

a second notification [[means]] mechanism for receiving a notification of second data selected among said plurality of first data, third data for identifying said user terminal, and fourth data representing an account for a payment by an owner of said user terminal, from said user terminal; and

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a third notification [[means]] mechanism for notifying said payment center of said price data included in said second data notified by said second notification means and said fourth data;

said payment center including:

a payment [[means]] mechanism for making a payment using said price data and said fourth data notified by said third notification [[means]] mechanism;

said entrance gate installed at said site represented with said site data included in said second data prior to an admission date to said site represented with said time-of-day data included in said second data, said entrance gate including:

an input section to which data can be input;

an input [[means]] mechanism for receiving fifth data identifying said user terminal from said input section after a payment of said payment [[means]] mechanism, at the admission date to said site represented with said time-of-day data included in said second data; and

a permission [[means]] mechanism, when said fifth data coincides with said third data, for permitting the passage of a person which has input said fifth data, without a ticket.

Claim 12 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 11, wherein said fourth data comprises the number of a credit card; and wherein said payment [[means]] mechanism draws an amount of money represented with said price data included in said second data from an account shown with said credit card number.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 11, wherein when said fifth data coincides with said third data and a time-of-day at which said fifth data has sent to said ticket issuing center is a time-of-day represented with said time-of-day data, said

permission [[means]] mechanism permits the owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate without a ticket.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The ticketless system defined in Claim 11, further comprising a plurality of entrance gates and setting [[means]] mechanisms for setting a different gate telephone number for each of said plurality of gates; and

wherein said fourth notification [[means]] mechanism issues a call to said gate telephone number corresponding to an entrance gate desired by said owner of said second user terminal after a payment of said payment means at said site represented with said site data included in said second data, using said second user terminal, a call signal included in said call including fifth data for identifying said second user terminal;

wherein said permission [[means]] mechanism, when said fifth data coincidences with said third data, permits said owner of said second user terminal to pass through said entrance gate without a ticket.

Claim 15 (original): The ticketless system defined in Claim 11, wherein

said third data comprises a telephone number of said first user terminal; and

said fifth data comprises a telephone number of said second user terminal.